

REMARKS

Upon entry of this Amendment, claims 1-6 and 9-16 will be pending of which claim 1 is independent. Claims 1, 5, and 6 have been revised and claim 7 has been cancelled bearing in mind the Examiner's concerns under 35 U.S.C. §101 and §112 as set forth on page 2 of the outstanding Office Action. It is respectfully submitted that all instant claims are in full compliance with 35 U.S.C. §101 and §112 and withdrawal of the rejections is respectfully requested. Claims 9-16 have been added and support for these claims can be found throughout the application. It is respectfully submitted that no new matter has been introduced with any of the above amendments and new claims. Reconsideration of the outstanding rejections is respectfully requested in view of the above amendments and the following remarks.

Claims 1-5 and 7-8 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by WO 97/12942 ("WO '942"). Furthermore, claims 1-8 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over WO '942 in view of U.S. Patent 4,672,079 to Li Basi *et al.* ("Li Bassi"). Applicants respectfully traverse these rejections for at least the following reasons.

Regarding WO '942, it is respectfully submitted that this reference fails to teach photoinitiators with recurring units. Accordingly, withdrawal of the 35 U.S.C. §102 rejections is respectfully requested.

Regarding WO '942 in view of Li Bassi, this combination of references is absent any reasonable expectation of the benefits that may be achieved by the employing the present compositions, such as improving the balance between hardness and low curling properties. The Examples in the present application demonstrate these benefits. Compare, *e.g.*, the curling properties of Example 1 and Comparative Example 1 in Table 2 of the present application. Accordingly, withdrawal of the 35 U.S.C. §103 obviousness rejections is respectfully requested.

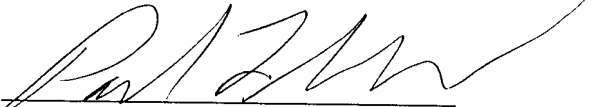
For any and all of the above reasons, it is respectfully submitted that the present invention is patentable.

It is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance and a Notice to that effect is courteously solicited. If any questions remain, however, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned to expedite the prosecution of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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